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TO: School District Superintendents
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FROM: Jim McBride, Ed.D. 

DATE: September 3, 2010

SUBJECT: Common Core Curriculum Mapping Project

TIME SENSITIVE: ACTION REQUESTED **August 19, 2010 press release from Common Core**

Today, Common Core released a full set of K-12 English Language Arts curriculum maps. Based on and addressing every one of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in ELA, these maps were written by teachers for teachers. As you begin to explore how to move the CCSS into classroom practice, we are confident these maps will prove to be a key link in a successful effort.

The maps are currently in draft form, and are being made available for public comment through September 17, 2010. As these are very much a work in progress, we are asking for your help in soliciting feedback and public comment from educators in your state. Anything you or your office can do to share the maps with teachers and administrators and to encourage their participation in the process would be much appreciated. The final product will be that much stronger if teachers in Wyoming provide their input.

The maps are free of charge to anyone who would like to use them. The Common Core Curriculum Mapping Project is funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The maps can be found at www.commoncore.org/maps.

Summary of Issue

The Wyoming State Board of Education has adopted the English Language Arts (ELA) Common Core Standards to be incorporated in the new Wyoming ELA Standards currently under review; therefore, **feedback is particularly important at this time**. Please share this with all community stakeholders.

If you have questions, please contact Tom Collins, Standards Team Supervisor, tcoll@educ.state.wy.us (307)721-1919.

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